

November 22, 2020
Jackson, Mississippi

The Central Mississippi Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution met in regular session on November 19, 2020, at the Dining Hall of Circle Lodge No. 638 F&AM [7454 Old Canton Rd, Madison, MS 39110], for the expressed purpose of conducting its annual business meeting. Notice was disseminated to members via the Chapter's Facebook page and e-mail.

Present were the following officers:

President: Benjamin Eubanks
Vice-President: John McBride
Secretary: Ben Jones
Registrar: Michael Schenk, VPG
Chaplain: Rev. Glenn Shows

Also in attendance were Compatriot Joe Brazeal, Initiate John Martin Flynt, and Compatriots' wives Sarah Boswell, Dr. Laura Schenck and Cathy Shows. Michael Schenk attended in his capacity as Vice President General and Dr. Bryant Boswell also attended in his capacity as President of the Mississippi State Society. The dining room was setup for social distancing of twenty diners per new Covid mandates with eleven attendees. Secretary Jones noted the regrets of several members due to Covid concerns.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM CT with President Eubanks, with a quorum of officers and members of good standing in attendance. Following the invocation by Compatriot Shows, Pledges of Allegiance were rendered to the Flags of the United States and SAR followed by recitation of the American Creed. With a catered dinner of Logan Farms Texas Smoked Brisket, the meeting was called to refreshment and recalled into session at 6:50 PM. In honor of our ladies, President Eubanks presented each lady a dozen red roses.

Copies of the minutes of the September quarterly meeting were distributed via email and the members acknowledged receipt. No report on finance was offered, except there has been little or no activity with the bank account. On motion and second, with no discussion, unanimous consent was given to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the September meeting.

On motion and second, with a short discussion by Secretary Jones, the proposed amendments to the chapter bylaws were approved unanimously.

On motion and second, the floor was open to nominations for officers. On motion and second, the current chapter officers were nominated for a second term. With no further discussion heard, the motion was approved unanimously. On motion and second, the floor was closed to further nominations, and Secretary Jones cast a single vote for the slate of officers. The assembled members expressed their approval of the election.

After a brief introduction, President Eubanks inducted John Martin Flynt as a new member in due form. He then presented each man with a rosette. Standing as proxy for sponsor Charles Garrison, President Boswell presented Compatriot Flynt with a rosette. The assembled members expressed their welcome to the new member.

Compatriot Jones gave a brief update on the chapter's activities including sponsorship of local high school football streaming broadcasts and host responsibilities for the upcoming state convention. Due to a mistake by the venue, the State Convention has been rescheduled to March 12-13, 2021, at Embassy Suites in Ridgeland. Due to planning considerations, the convention will become a one-day event with an awards luncheon and banquet. The Central MS Chapter and the Warren Chapter are both host chapters.

State President Boswell discussed various items that the State leadership is considering, noting the continuing growth of the state society's membership and the Governor Reeves' announced educational initiatives. The new Natchez Chapter is organized officially. During this quarantine period, only four chapters are holding meetings in the state. He gave an update on the health of State Second Vice President, Rev. Dr. Tommy Thompson. Boswell also discussed the progress of the Sons of Independence reenactor activities and upcoming events. Finally, he noted that sales of MSSAR golf shirts were very brisk.

There being no further discussion or presentation of any other business or information for the good of the chapter, upon motion and second, Compatriot Shows offered the benediction and President Boswell led the recessional. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM with photos to follow.

Respectfully submitted,
Ben B. B. Jones II, Secretary-Past President
Central Mississippi Chapter - Sons of the American Revolution



Members from Left to right:

Compatriot Joe Brazeal, Initiate John Martin Flynt, VP John McBride, Chapter President Benjamin Eubanks, Secretary Ben Jones, Chaplain Rev. Glenn Shows, MS SAR President Bryant Boswell, Chapter Registrar Michael Schenk



Chapter President Benjamin Eubanks, New member John Martin Flynt, Compatriot Michael Schenk, MS SAR Society President Bryant Boswell



MS SAR President Bryant Boswell and his wife Sarah Boswell



Chapter Registrar Michael Schenk and his wife Dr. Laura Schenk



Chapter Chaplain Rev. Glenn Shows and his wife Cathy Shows